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**Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and  
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**Identical letters dated 6 November 2000 from the Permanent  
Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the  
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In follow-up to my letters, from 29 September through 30 October 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015 and A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025), the prevailing situation compels me to inform you that, since my last letter to you, 20 more Palestinians have been killed as a result of the military campaign of terror by Israel, the occupying Power, against Palestinian civilians in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem. This brings the total number of deaths to 153 Palestinians (the names of those martyred since my last letter are annexed). The excessive and indiscriminate use of force by the Israeli occupying forces has also caused the serious injury of many more Palestinian civilians, many of whom remain in critical condition.

The international community cannot allow this Israeli military campaign of terror to continue. Once again, we call upon the international community and specifically the Security Council to ensure compliance by Israel, the occupying Power, with Security Council resolution 1322 (2000) and resolution ES-10/7 of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly. We also reiterate the call to the Council to establish a United Nations Protection Force to be dispatched to the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, with the aim of providing much-needed protection for the Palestinian civilian population.

I would be grateful if you would arrange to distribute the text of the present letter as a document of the tenth emergency special session and of the Security Council.

*(Signed)* Nasser Al-Kidwa  
Ambassador

Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations



**Annex to the identical letters dated 6 November 2000 from the  
Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed  
to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

**Names of martyrs killed by Israeli security forces in the Occupied  
Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem**  
(31 October 2000 to 5 November 2000)

*Tuesday, 31 October 2000*

1. Shadi Awad Odeh (17 years old)
2. Mohammed Khazah Halles
3. Hazim Musa Abu Dif
4. Thaer Ibrahim Zed (18 years old)
5. Mahmoud Ahmad Ghali Abul Khair

*Wednesday, 1 November 2000*

1. Suleiman Abu Taya (15 years old)
2. Mohammed Ibrahim Hajjaj (15 years old)
3. Mohammed Mahmoud Al-Horub
4. Wael Shoeib Ghneim
5. Ibrahim Rizik Omar (15 years old)
6. Marwan Taleh Jumah

*Thursday, 2 November 2000*

1. Khalid Mohammed Ahmad Rawek (17 years old)
2. Adli Obeid
3. Yazzen Issa Al Haliqa

*Friday, 3 November 2000*

1. Nahed Fathi Al Loh
2. Mohmoud Abdel Jawad Al Said
3. Rami Ahmad Abdel Fatah (15 years old)

*Saturday, 4 November 2000*

1. Hend Nidal Abu Queder (infant died as a result of tear gas inhalation)

*Sunday, 5 November 2000*

1. Maher Mohammed Al Saidy (16 years old)
2. Marwan Al Maghary

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Israel, the occupying Power, has committed yet another crime today against the Palestinian people. Israeli occupying forces committed an act of wilful killing when Israeli military helicopter gunships fired missiles at a vehicle in the village of Beit Sahour in the vicinity of the city of Bethlehem. This resulted in the killing of one person and the injury of at least one other person in the vehicle and the killing of two Palestinian women, in their fifties, who were passing near the vehicle.

The occupying Power indicated that this action was planned and that it was directed against members of Fatah, the mainstream political party in Palestine. Today, the Israeli occupying forces also killed another 14-year-old in the Gaza strip.

In follow-up to my previous letters to you, dated 29 September through 6 November 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015; A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025; A/ES-10/42-S/2000/1068), I must bring to your attention the fact that, since my last letter to you, Israeli occupying forces have killed 18 more Palestinian civilians, including children, in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem. This brings the total number of deaths to 171 Palestinians. (The names of those martyred since my last letter are annexed.) The excessive use of force by Israeli occupying forces, including the use of tanks and other heavy weaponry, has also caused the injury of at least 150 more Palestinians, many of whom are in serious condition.

The international community cannot allow this Israeli campaign of killing and terror against the Palestinian people to continue, and it must insist on the full implementation of Security Council resolution 1322 (2000) of 7 October 2000 and resolution ES-10/7 of 20 October 2000 of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly. Once again, we reiterate our call to the Council for the urgent establishment of a United Nations protection force to be dispatched to the Occupied



Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, for the purpose of providing much needed protection for the Palestinian civilian population.

I would be grateful if you would arrange to distribute the present letter and its annex as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nasser **Al-Kidwa**  
Ambassador  
Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations

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to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

**Names of martyrs killed by Israeli security forces in the Occupied  
Palestinian Territory including Jerusalem**

*(6 through 8 November 2000)*

*Monday, 6 November 2000*

1. Wajdi Allam Hattab (13 years old)
2. Mohammad Al-Jazar (16 years old)
3. Mohammad Nawaf Al-Ta'ban (14 years old)

*Tuesday, 7 November 2000*

1. Abdullah Khalid Amarna
2. Ahmad Amin Khofash (7 years old) (died from wounds sustained on 3 November 2000)
3. Said Hamid Abu Khelah
4. Mohammad Abdullah Abdel Razik Diriah (17 years old)

*Wednesday, 8 November 2000*

1. Fares Faieq Odeh (16 years old)
2. Mohammad Nimr Mahani (died from wounds sustained on 7 November 2000)
3. Ibrahim Al-Qassas (13 years old) (died from wounds sustained on 4 November 2000)
4. Mohammad Mesbah Abu Ghaleb (15 years old)
5. Raed Abdel Megid Dawoud (14 years old)
6. Khalil Abu Se'dah (15 years old)
7. Khalad Fayez Abu Zahreh (17 years old)

*Thursday, 9 November 2000*

1. Hussein Ebyat
  2. Aziza Danun Jubran
  3. Rahma Rasheed Shaheen
  4. Mohammed Kamel Shurab (14 years old)
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In follow-up to my previous letters to you, dated from 29 September to 9 November 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015; A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025; A/ES-10/41-S/2000/1046; A/ES-10/42-S/2000/1068; A/ES-10/43-S/2000/1078), I must bring to your attention the fact that, since my last letter to you, Israeli occupying forces have killed 23 more Palestinian civilians, including children, in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem. This brings the total number of deaths to 194 Palestinians. (The names of the martyrs since my last letter are annexed.) During the same period, the excessive and indiscriminate use of force by the Israeli occupying forces, including the use of tanks and other heavy weaponry, has also caused a vast number of injuries and many of the injured are in serious condition.

Among the Palestinian civilians killed, at least one was killed as a result of a direct hit by a tank shell, and another was killed by a direct hit from a heavy machine gun. The two children killed on Monday, 13 November, in the Gaza Strip were killed in circumstances in which there were no demonstrations or stone-throwing taking place. Human rights organizations described the killing of the two children as another example of intentional killings in cold blood by Israeli soldiers.

The situation of siege of the Occupied Palestinian Territory also continues. The Israeli occupying forces have even intensified measures to ensure the total isolation of Palestinian cities throughout the Occupied Palestinian Territory, thus increasing difficulties for the Palestinian population.

The international community cannot allow this Israeli campaign of killing and terror against the Palestinian people to continue, and it must insist on the full implementation of Security Council resolution 1322 (2000) of 7 October 2000 and General Assembly resolution ES-10/7 of 20 October 2000 of the tenth emergency special session. Once again, we reiterate our call to the Council for the urgent



establishment of a United Nations protection force to be dispatched to the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, for the purposes of providing much-needed protection for the Palestinian civilian population.

I should be grateful if you would arrange to distribute the text of this letter as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nasser **Al-Kidwa**

Ambassador

Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations

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**Names of the martyrs killed by Israeli security forces in the  
Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem (Friday, 10  
November to Tuesday, 14 November 2000)**

Friday, 10 November 2000

1. Mohammed Ali Mohammed Hamed
2. Osama Samir Jerjawy (17 years old)
3. Osama Hazem Azouka (14 years old)
4. Eyad Fawzi Al-Fahmawy
5. Raed Sa'adi Al-Mohtaseb

Saturday, 11 November 2000

1. Hani Abdullah Kassem Marzouk (died from wounds sustained on 10 November 2000)
2. Mohammed Yassin Al-Madhoun
3. Munzir Hamdi Yassin
4. Musa Al-Debs ( 15 years old)
5. Munib Mohammed Barakat Abu Monshar
6. Majid Hussein Radwan Al-Jaro
7. Osama Khalil Al-Bawab
8. Ayman Salah Wadi

Sunday, 12 November 2000

Mahmoud Nafez Abu Naji ( 17 years old)

Monday, 13 November 2000

1. Mohammed Nasser Al-Taweel (18 years old)
2. Yehia Naif Abu Shamallah ( 17 years old)
3. Ahmed Hassan Dahlan ( died from wounds sustained on 11 November 2000)
4. Tawfeeq Al-Ja'bary

Tuesday, 14 November 2000

1. Saber Musa Barash (14 years old)
2. Raed Fahmi Shakfah
3. Mohammed Khater Al'Ajalah (13 years old)
4. Mustafa Mahmoud Alyan
5. Jamal Ibrahim Elwan

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In follow-up of my previous letters, dated 29 September through 15 November 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015; A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025; A/ES-10/42-S/2000/1068; A/ES-10/43-S/2000/1078; A/ES-10/44-S/2000/1093), I am compelled to bring to your attention the fact that, since my last letter to you, the Israeli occupying forces have killed 11 more Palestinian civilians, including 8 children. This brings the total number of deaths in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, since 29 September 2000, to 205 Palestinians. (The names of the martyrs since my last letter are annexed.) The excessive and indiscriminate use of force by the Israeli occupying forces, including the use of tanks, helicopter gunships and other heavy weaponry, has also caused numerous more injuries among the Palestinian civilians, many of whom are in serious condition.

Furthermore, on 15 November 2000, Israeli helicopter missile fire in Beit Jala in the vicinity of the city of Bethlehem also killed a German national, Mr. Harald Fischer. In addition to his death, several foreigners, mostly correspondents, have been injured as a result of Israeli shelling and shooting during the last few weeks.

Such lethal incidents have occurred daily in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, as a result of the Israeli occupying forces' brutality and excessive use of force. For example, yesterday, a Palestinian man, age 55, was stopped at an Israeli checkpoint, where he got into a shouting exchange with Israeli soldiers and was then shot to death by the soldiers. This represents another specific instance of what human rights organizations have been referring to as the cold-blooded killing of Palestinian civilians.

In conjunction with this bloody Israeli military campaign against Palestinian civilians and the ongoing siege of the Occupied Palestinian Territory, the Government of Israel has just taken the decision to withhold money belonging to the



Palestinian Authority. In these circumstances of socio-economic hardship for the Palestinian people, such measures only exacerbate economic problems and worsen living conditions. This Israeli decision to withhold Palestinian money is tantamount to theft or at best is an illegal and unjustified tool of pressuring and collectively punishing the entire population.

The international community cannot allow this Israeli campaign of killing, terror and collective punishment against the Palestinian people to continue. It must insist on the full implementation of Security Council resolution 1322 (2000) and resolution ES-10/7 of 20 October 2000 of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly. We further reiterate once again our call to the Security Council for the urgent establishment of a United Nations protection force to be dispatched in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, for the purpose of providing much-needed protection for the Palestinian civilian population.

I would be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dr. Nasser **Al-Kidwa**

Ambassador

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to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

**Names of martyrs killed by Israeli security forces in the  
Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem  
(Wednesday, 15 November and Thursday, 16 November 2000)**

**Wednesday, 15 November 2000**

1. Ahmed Samir Bassil (15 years old)
2. Mohammed Nasser Mohammed Al-Sharafi (17 years old)
3. Samer Khairy Ahmed Khidr
4. Fathi Odeh Jumah Salem (18 years old)
5. Ahmed Saeed Shaban
6. Manee Jadou Abu Al-Kabash (16 years old)
7. Abdel Hafez Mohammed Gharouf (18 years old)
8. Ibrahim Abdel Raouf Jaidi (17 years old)

**Thursday, 16 November 2000**

1. Jihad Abu Shahmah (9 years old)
  2. Samer Al-Khadour (18 years old)
  3. Yussef Suleiman Ali Awad
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Israel, the occupying Power, used helicopter gunships and warships to launch massive bombardments of Gaza City and other locations in the Gaza Strip around 6 p.m. local time today, 20 November 2000. Scores of Israeli missiles hit locations of the Palestinian Authority, including a police station and the headquarters of the preventive security. They also hit a building of Fatah, the mainstream political party in Palestine. These raids caused injury to approximately 50 Palestinians, knocked out electricity in parts of Gaza City and caused the vast destruction of property as well as causing serious panic among the whole population there.

Israel declares that these military attacks were in response to the explosion of a roadside bomb, which was detonated near an illegal Israeli settlement in Gaza in the path of a bus, killing two and wounding nine Israeli settlers. The Israeli use of such huge lethal military force was carried out despite the fact that the Palestinian side denied responsibility for the bombing and opened an investigation into the incident despite the continuous loss of Palestinian lives at the hands of Israeli soldiers.

In this regard, and in follow-up to my previous letters, dated from 29 September to 17 November 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015; A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025; A/ES-10/41-S/2000/1046; A/ES-10/42-S/2000/1068; A/ES-10/43-S/2000/1078; A/ES-10/44-S/2000/1093; A/ES-10/45-S/2000/1104), since my last letter to you and as of yesterday, 19 November, the Israeli occupying forces have killed 10 more Palestinians, bringing the total number of Palestinian deaths to 215. (The names of the martyrs since my last letter are annexed.)

The Israeli air attacks of today, reminiscent of the air raids on Gaza and Ramallah on 12 October 2000, represent a new and extremely dangerous escalation of the bloody Israeli campaign against the Palestinian people. Since 25 October



2000, Palestine has repeatedly been calling on the Security Council to take action aimed at bringing an end to this Israeli campaign and to provide impartial international protection for the Palestinian civilian population in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem. The Council has not acted, however, since the adoption of resolution 1322 (2000) on 7 October 2000.

The Palestinian death toll has been mounting, as have the number of injuries and the amount of destruction throughout the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem. There is now a new Israeli escalation of lethal force, which might drag us all into a very different and more dangerous situation. In this regard, we still hope that the Council will act, and act promptly, in fulfilment of its obligation to maintain international peace and security.

I would be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dr. Nasser **Al-Kidwa**  
Ambassador

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to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

**Names of the martyrs killed by Israeli security forces in the  
Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem (Friday,  
17 November to Sunday, 19 November 2000)**

*Friday, 17 November 2000*

1. Khalid Abdullah Salama
2. Haseed Mohammed Haseed Friewan
3. Mahmoud Zeid Samour
4. Mohammed Abdel Jalil Abu Rayan (14 years old)
5. Rami Imad Yassin
6. Hamza Abdel Mo'tee Shkhedem

*Saturday, 18 November 2000*

1. Baha Al-Deen Abu Saeed

*Sunday, 19 November 2000*

1. Abdel Rahman Ziad Al-Dahshan (14 years old)
  2. Ra'faat Muhib Jouda
  3. Nasser Ahmed Al-Najar
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On 22 November 2000, soldiers of the Israeli occupying forces once more committed wilful killings against Palestinian civilians. The soldiers at an Israeli army checkpoint near the city of Rafah in the Gaza Strip opened heavy fire at an approaching car, killing all three unarmed civilians in the car. The soldiers also fired at a car behind it, killing one passenger and wounding another. Further, on 23 November 2000, in an Israeli-planned assassination, one person was killed when his car was bombed near the Palestinian city of Nablus.

Moreover, the killing and injuring of Palestinians by the Israeli occupying forces continues. In this regard, and in follow-up to my previous letters to you, dated 29 September to 20 November (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015; A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025; A/ES-10/42-S/2000/1068; A/ES-10/43-S/2000/1078; A/ES-10/44-S/2000/1093; A/ES-10/45-S/2000/1104; A/ES-10/46-S/2000/1107), since my last letter to you and as of yesterday, 23 November 2000, the Israeli occupying forces have killed 16 more Palestinians, bringing the total number of deaths to 231 Palestinian civilians. (The names of the 16 martyrs are annexed.) During the same period, many other Palestinian civilians were injured, some of whom remain in critical condition.

I would also like to refer to the letter, dated 20 November, by the Israeli Permanent Representative to the United Nations regarding the explosion of a roadside bomb, which was aimed at a bus and which resulted in the death of two Israeli settlers and the wounding of others, including children. That letter repeats the same Israeli nonsense about Palestinian official responsibility for the attack. The Palestinian Authority made it clear that it does not condone such actions and that it definitely has no responsibility in this regard. Children should always be spared the traumas and atrocities of armed conflict. It must be mentioned, however, that the road on which the bombing occurred is under full Israeli security control and, more importantly, it remains the ultimate responsibility of the occupying Power not to



illegally transfer their nationals into the occupied territory in total violation of the Fourth Geneva Convention and the relevant United Nations resolutions.

On Wednesday, 22 November, upon the request of the Arab Group at the United Nations, the Security Council once more considered the extremely dangerous situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory. We reiterate the call that we have repeatedly made to the Council, including during the Council's most recent debate, to take action in follow-up of the efforts to establish a United Nations Observer Force to be dispatched throughout the territories occupied by Israel since 1967. We believe that the necessary time for ample consultations on the matter has already elapsed and action now is urgently needed, as the situation clearly continues to deteriorate.

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of this letter and its annex distributed as official documents of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dr. Nasser **Al-Kidwa**  
Ambassador

Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations

**Annex to the identical letters dated 24 November 2000 from the  
Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations  
addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of  
the Security Council**

**Names of martyrs killed by Israeli security forces in the Occupied  
Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem  
(Monday, 20 November, through Wednesday, 23 November 2000)**

**Monday, 20 November 2000**

1. Ibrahim Ahmed Hassan Othman (16 years old)
2. Hamed Jaber
3. Abdullah Mahmoud Al-Farra

**Tuesday, 21 November 2000**

1. Hammad Othman Al-Sumeri
2. Mohammed Lutfi Massad
3. Mohammed Suliman Abu Obeid
4. Hussein Mohammed Mustafa Derab'ieh
5. Jasser Taleb Al-Nibititi

**Wednesday, 22 November 2000**

1. Jamal Abdel Qader Abdel Raziq
2. Awni Ismail Daheir
3. Nael Shehdah Al-Lidawi
4. Sami Nasser Abu Laben
5. Najeeb Mohammed Mahmoud Kishtah
6. Ibrahim Hussein Al-Maqnan (15 years old)

**Thursday, 23 November 2000**

1. Ibrahim Abdel Karim Bini Odeh
2. Maram Emad Ahmed Hassouna (3 years old)

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Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

The Israeli military campaign of terror and repression against the Palestinian people has continued daily with the killing and injuring of more Palestinian civilians. On 26 November 2000, Israeli occupying forces shot and killed five Palestinian civilians who were together near the city of Qalqilya at approximately 8 p.m. This collective killing adds to a pattern of Israeli behaviour tending to escalate the already dangerous situation on the ground whenever it appears to be calming down.

In follow-up to my previous letters to you, dated 29 September through 24 November 2000 (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015; A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025; A/ES-10/42-S/2000/1068; A/ES-10/43-S/2000/1078; A/ES-10/44-S/2000/1093; A/ES-10/45-S/2000/1104; A/ES-10/46-S/2000/1107; A/ES-10/47-S/2000/1116), I regret to inform you that since my last letter to you and as of yesterday, 27 November 2000, 19 more Palestinians have been killed, which brings the total number of deaths to 250 Palestinians. (The names of the 19 martyrs are annexed.) Scores of Palestinian civilians were also injured during the same period.

I also want to refer to the letter of 22 November 2000 from the Israeli Permanent Representative to the United Nations to the Secretary-General regarding the car bomb that was detonated in Israel on the same day (A/55/641-S/2000/1114). That letter erroneously held the Palestinian Authority responsible for this act. We believe that the Israeli Government must stop making such irresponsible and dangerous accusations and claims. In turn, we once more call upon the international community to press Mr. Ehud Barak and his Government to cease their bloody campaign of terror against the Palestinian people.

On the urgent issue of providing protection for Palestinian civilians, it is worth noting that Israel, the occupying Power, has rebuffed all efforts, including those of the Secretary-General, to ensure positive positions in advance. Such an irresponsible



and intransigent attitude by the occupying Power makes it imperative for the Security Council at this stage to proceed with the necessary action for the establishment of a United Nations monitoring force for the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem. The Council cannot accept to be held hostage by the illegal wishes and intransigence of the occupying Power while the situation on the ground continues to require immediate action. It should be noted as well that the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mary Robinson, stressed the need for "an international protection or some international monitoring presence" following her recent visit to the Occupied Palestinian Territory. The authoritative voice of the High Commissioner must be seriously taken into consideration by the Security Council.

In response to calls for a United Nations monitoring force, the Israeli side has repeatedly asserted that the Palestinian side is trying to internationalize the conflict. Such a claim is ludicrous since by its very nature the conflict has always been international. The United Nations, since its inception, has never ceased dealing with the question of Palestine and the many developments in this regard over the years, including the Israeli occupation in 1967 of Arab territories. The establishment of a United Nations monitoring force could only help in ending the recent tragic events and restoring calm, thus allowing the parties to resume their peace efforts. The opposite is inconceivable. At this point in time, we hope that the Security Council will take action before even more casualties fall and more destruction occurs.

I would be grateful if you would arrange to have the text of the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nasser **Al-Kidwa**  
Ambassador

Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations

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Palestine addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of  
the Security Council**

**Names of martyrs killed by Israeli security forces in the  
Occupied Palestinian Territory including Jerusalem  
(Friday, 24 November through Monday, 27 November 2000)**

*Friday, 24 November 2000*

1. Firas Diab Abu Hatab
2. Mohammed Abed (17 years old)
3. Ghassan Majid Musalam Qaraan
4. Eissr Mahmoud Khalil Hasees
5. Ziad Khalil Abu Jazar
6. Sami Adel Al-Sayel
7. Nahid Adel Al-Sayel (brother of Sami Adel Al-Sayel)

*Saturday, 25 November 2000*

1. Fuad Hammad Dewekat
2. Amjed Azmi Mohammed
3. Abdel Muneim Izz El-Dean (18 years old)
4. Tayseer Abu Arraj

*Sunday, 26 November 2000*

1. As'ad Khalil Al-Sharnouby (from wounds sustained on 20 November)
2. Mahmoud Ahmed Al-Adel
3. Mohammed Mansour Edwan
4. Ziad Ghaleb Selmy
5. Qusai Faisal Tawfiq Zahran
6. Mahdi Kassem Jabr (18 years old)

*Monday, 27 November 2000*

1. Walid Al-Jaafrah
2. Zakaria Hamouda Al-Khoury (18 years old)